



## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE WESTSIDE CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2021**

**12:00 PM – 1:15 PM**

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### **MEETING INFORMATION AND ACCOMMODATION**

To combat the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19), the member cities of the Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG), and the WSCCOG, have held teleconferenced publicly accessible meetings. AB 361 has authorized public meetings to continue to take place via teleconference because State and Local officials are recommending measures to promote social distancing. The October 14, 2021 WSCCOG Board meeting will be conducted in a teleconference format. The WSCCOG Board members, staff and members of the public will all participate remotely via teleconference using the Zoom platform. As such, the WSCCOG will provide the Members of the Public the ability to view and participate in the meeting remotely using Zoom Webinar <https://zoom.us/> or stream live on YouTube by visiting the following link [http://bit.ly/wscocg\\_livestream](http://bit.ly/wscocg_livestream)

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION BY PROVIDING E-COMMENT**

Members of the Public who wish to comment on matters before the Board are strongly encouraged to submit an email with their written comments limited to 1,000 characters to [riley@estolanoadvisors.com](mailto:riley@estolanoadvisors.com) by no later than 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. \*Note: E-Comments received after 12:00 p.m. will be forwarded to the Board and posted on the COG's website at [www.westsidecities.org/meeting](http://www.westsidecities.org/meeting) as part of the official meeting record. The email address will remain open during the meeting for providing public comment during the meeting. Emails received during the meeting will be read out loud at the appropriate time during the meeting provided they are received before the Board takes action on an item (or can be read during general public comment).

For any questions regarding the virtual meeting, please contact Winnie Fong at [winnie@estolanoadvisors.com](mailto:winnie@estolanoadvisors.com) or (323) 306-9856 and Riley O'Brien at [riley@estolanoadvisors.com](mailto:riley@estolanoadvisors.com).

# AGENDA

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

## 2. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, AND IDENTIFICATION OF VOTING MEMBERS (2 min)

## 3. ACTION ITEMS (30 min)

### A. **Authorization to Conduct Teleconferencing Meetings under the AB 361**

Recommended Action: (1) Make findings that a statewide state of emergency continues to exist, and local and state health officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing in order to conduct this meeting via teleconference; and (2) Discuss findings under AB 361 and approve conducting the WSCCOG meetings via teleconferencing for the remainder of the year.

### B. **Approval of August 12, 2021 Draft Meeting Notes**

Recommended Action: Approve the August 12, 2021 draft meeting notes.

### C. **West Hollywood Request for Allocation of Metro Measure M Subregional Equity Program (SEP) to the Crenshaw Northern Extension Light Rail Project.**

Recommended Action: (1) Approve the proposed Measure SEP funding allocation for the cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica, and West Hollywood; (2) Approve the West Hollywood's SEP allocation for the Crenshaw Northern Extension project; and (3) Request the allocation funding in Central Area Subregional Equity Funds for the Crenshaw Northern Extension project.

### D. **WSCCOG Representatives at the Los Angeles County Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness (BRCH) Check-in Meetings**

Recommended Action: Delegate WSCCOG representatives to participate in the regular check-in meetings with the COG Regional directors and appointed COG representatives of the Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness (BRCH).

### E. **Request for WSCCOG FY 2020-21 Audit Interview with a WSCCOG Board Member**

Recommended Action: Delegate a WSCCOG Board member to interview with the auditor for the WSCCOG financial audit ending June 30, 2021.

### F. **WSCCOG Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SCAG and WSCCOG**

Recommended Action: Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SCAG and WSCCOG for the WSCCOG Regional Early Action Planning Grant Partnerships and Outreach.

## 4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (1 min)

- A. WSCCOG Representative Call for Nominations for the Metro Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Streets and Freeway Subcommittee

## 5. TRANSPORTATION UPDATES (5 min)

- A. WSCCOG Unfunded Strategic Project List Revision

**6. HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING UPDATES (5 min)**

A. Homelessness

- i. Los Angeles County Homelessness Initiative Strategies Reassessment
- ii. 2022 COG Innovation Fund and WSCCOG Statement of Work
- iii. WSCCOG Request for Funding from the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (DMH)
- iv. WSCCOG Comment Letter on the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness Strategic Plan

B. Housing

- i. WSCCOG Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Revised Timeline for Request for Proposals (RFP)
- ii. Regional Housing Technical Assistance Plan for WSCCOG

**7. DISCUSSION (15 min)**

A. Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG) Housing Mandate Lawsuit

- i. Discussion and consideration of City of Santa Monica's motion on whether the WSCCOG should join as a party in the lawsuit brought by the Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG) against the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), OCCOG v. Velasquez, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. 21STCP01970 regarding the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA)

**8. LEGISLATION (5 min)**

A. League of California Cities Update

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS (5 min)**

**10. FUTURE MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS (2 min)**

A. Future Meeting

- i. Thursday, December 9, 2021

B. Future Agenda Items

- i. 2022 WSCCOG Regular Board Meeting Schedule
- ii. 2022 COG Innovation Fund Statement of Work and Contract with the County Chief Executive Office – Homeless Initiative (CEO-HI)
- iii. Metro TAC Streets and Freeway Subcommittee Nomination

**11. PUBLIC COMMENTS (5 min)**

**12. ADJOURN**

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### 2. **To Listen and Provide Verbal Comments by Phone:**

- a. Call (669) 900-6833 to access the conference room. Given high call volumes recently experienced by Zoom, please continue dialing until you connect successfully.
- b. Enter the Meeting ID: **851 1299 8714** and enter the Passcode **522247**.
- c. Indicate that you are a participant by pressing # to continue.
- d. You will hear audio of the meeting in progress. Remain on the line if the meeting has not yet started.
- e. During the Public Comment Period, press \*9 to add yourself to the queue and wait for the WSCCOG staff to announce your name/phone number.
- f. WSCCOG staff will unmute your line when it is your turn to speak. Limit oral comments to 2 minutes, or as otherwise directed by the presiding officer. If unable to connect by Zoom or phone and you wish to make a comment, you may submit written comments via email to: [riley@estolanoadvisors.com](mailto:riley@estolanoadvisors.com)

## Instructions for WSCCOG Board Members and Member City Staff in the Meeting

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